

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 14-20 are pending in the present application and Applicant has cancelled dependent claim 13. Applicant believes that no new matter has been added in the claim amendments and believes that the application is in condition for allowance.

Claim Objections

The Examiner objected to claims 10, 13, 14, 18, and 19 because of informalities. Applicant has amended claims 10, 14, 18, and 19 to correct the informalities, while canceling claim 13.

Applicant now believes that claims 10, 14, 18, and 19 are in condition for allowance.

Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 10-12 under the nonstatutory double patenting rejection. Applicant has amended independent claim 10 and these rejections are now moot. Claims 10-12 as now presented are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

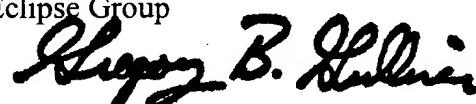
The Examiner indicated that claims 1-9 are in condition for allowance and Applicant acknowledges and thanks the Examiner for such indication. Further, the Examiner indicated that objected claims 13-20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. Applicant has taken the allowable subject matter from dependent claim 13 and amended independent claim 10 in order to make claims 10-12 and 14-20 in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing discussion and amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-12 and 14-20, as now presented, are in a condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

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